



South Coast Air Quality Management District

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SUBJECT: NOTICE OF EXEMPTION FROM THE CALIFORNIA ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ACT

PROJECT TITLE: PROPOSED AMENDED RULE 219 – EQUIPMENT NOT REQUIRING A WRITTEN PERMIT PURSUANT TO REGULATION II

Pursuant to the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Guidelines, the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) is the Lead Agency and has prepared a Notice of Exemption for the project identified above.

The SCAQMD has reviewed the proposed project pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15002 (k)(1), the first step of a three-step process for deciding which document to prepare for a project subject to CEQA. Since it can be seen with certainty that the proposed project has no potential to adversely impact air quality or any other environmental area, it is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) - Review for Exemption (General Rule Exemption).

A Notice of Exemption has been prepared pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15062 - Notice of Exemption. The Notice of Exemption will be filed with the county clerks of Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside and San Bernardino counties immediately following the adoption of the proposed project.

Any questions regarding this Notice of Exemption should be sent to Barbara Radlein (c/o Planning, Rule Development and Area Sources) at the above address. Ms. Radlein can also be reached at (909) 396-2716. Mr. Raman Patel is also available at (909) 396-2466 to answer any questions regarding the proposed amendments.

Date: April 24, 2007

Signature: Steve Smith

Steve Smith, Ph.D.
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Sources

Reference: California Code of Regulations, Title 14

NOTICE OF EXEMPTION

To: County Clerks
Counties of Los Angeles, Orange,
Riverside and San Bernardino

From: South Coast Air Quality Management District
21865 Copley Drive
Diamond Bar, CA 91765

Project Title:

Proposed Amended Rule 219 – Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II

Project Location:

South Coast Air Quality Management District: the four-county South Coast Air Basin (Orange County and the non-desert portions of Los Angeles, Riverside, and San Bernardino counties) and the Riverside County portions of the Salton Sea Air Basin and Mojave Desert Air Basin.

Description of Nature, Purpose, and Beneficiaries of Project:

The proposed amendments to Rule 219 – Equipment Not Requiring a Written Permit Pursuant to Regulation II, will harmonize the exemption levels applicable to UV/EB curable materials and other coating, ink and adhesive application operations in an equitable manner. The proposed amendments will require Rule 222 filing for certain operations, that are otherwise individually exempt from permits pursuant to Rule 219, but that emit four tons per year or more of VOCs in aggregate at any one facility. Rule 219 will also exempt certain low emitting operations. Other minor changes are proposed for clarity and consistency throughout the rule.

Public Agency Approving Project:

South Coast Air Quality Management District

Agency Carrying Out Project:

South Coast Air Quality Management District

Exempt Status:

Three-Step Process: CEQA Guidelines §15002(k)(1)

General Rule Exemption: CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3)

Reasons why project is exempt:

The project was reviewed and determined to have no potential to generate significant adverse impacts on the environment. Therefore, the SCAQMD has determined that the proposal is exempt from CEQA pursuant to CEQA Guidelines §15061(b)(3) - Review for Exemption, since it can be seen with certainty that there is no possibility that the proposed project in question has the potential to have a significant adverse effect on the environment.

Certification Date:

SCAQMD Governing Board Hearing: May 4, 2007, 9:00 a.m.; SCAQMD Headquarters

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Date Received for Filing: _____

Signature: _____ *(Signed Upon Certification)*

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